

Determination of Eligibility Form

Site Visit by MHT Staff: Yes No Name: Date:

Description of Property and Justification: *(Please attach map and photo)*

The Barnett-Nissley Farm is believed to be eligible for the National Register listing under Criteria A for its connection with the history of agriculture in Washington County in the nineteenth- and twentieth-centuries. The farmstead from the late eighteenth-century has continuous operated as a farm producing wheat during the nineteenth-century to becoming a dairy farm in the early-twentieth century. It is also believed to be eligible under Criteria C for its intact late eighteenth- and early-nineteenth- century vernacular log house which exhibits important regional features such as its log construction and recessed double porch.

Please see February 2008 MIHP form for descriptive and historical information.

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Criteria:	A	B	C	D	Considerations:	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
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MHT Comments:

Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

Reviewer, National Register Program

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Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Inventory No. WA-I-115

1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic Barnett-Nissley Farm
other Eby Farm

2. Location

street and number Fairview Road not for publication
city, town Hagerstown x vicinity of Cearfoss
county Washington

3. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Wayne L & Ruth A Horst
street and number Fairview Road telephone
city, town Hagerstown state MD zip code 21740

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Washington County Courthouse liber 1073 folio 965
city, town Hagerstown tax map 23 tax parcel 14 tax ID number 004722

5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- ☐ Contributing Resource in National Register District
☐ Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
☐ Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
☐ Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
☐ Recorded by HABS/HAER
☐ Historic Structure Report or Research Report at MHT
☐ Other: _____

6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function	Resource Count
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture	Contributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense	2
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> domestic	2
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> education	4
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	10
		<input type="checkbox"/> government	Total
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care	
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry	
		<input type="checkbox"/> landscape	
		<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture	
		<input type="checkbox"/> religion	
		<input type="checkbox"/> social	
		<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	
		<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	
		<input type="checkbox"/> unknown	
		<input type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use	
		<input type="checkbox"/> other:	
			Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory
			1

7. Description

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Condition

<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> altered

Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Barnett-Nissley Farm is located at the end of half a mile gravel private lane on the south side of Fairview Road, MD Route 494, which is about a mile west of Cearfoss in Washington County, Maryland. The Barnett-Nissley Farm sits on 147.51 acres of farmland and includes a vernacular log house, early twentieth-century barn and silos and nine modern twentieth-century outbuildings situated on a bluff along the Conococheague Creek. The modern outbuildings consist of two large metal sheds, a feeding area, a concrete pit, and a garage.

Farmhouse

The farmhouse is a vernacular, two-story, six-bay wide, log frame dwelling covered with German siding sitting on a stone foundation. The house was constructed in two sections: the east section of the house is three-bays wide and is recessed with an integrated, two-story porch on the front (north) façade; the west section of the house is three-bays wide and has a one-story porch on the front (north) façade and only two-bays on the second floor. On the rear façade there is a board covering the area where the two sections meet.

The side-gable roof has a low pitch and is covered with modern asphalt shingles. The roof has a plain wood box cornice and terminates with barge boards set against the end walls. There is a concrete block flue on the outside of the west façade. The stone foundation is covered with stucco on the rear (south) and west façades and has a bulkhead constructed of stone in the middle of the rear (south) façade.

All the windows and doors have an asymmetrical arrangement. The house has three doorways on the front (north) façade: two are located on the first floor, one is in the second bay from the east façade and the other is in the third bay from the west façade, and one is located on the second floor, in the second bay from the east façade. The two doorways on the first floor are trimmed with plain architraves with flat top pieces. The doorway on the second floor is trimmed with what appears to be ovolo casing. The windows on the front (north) façade are modern, one-over-one, double-hung sash windows except for the one window on the second floor the third bay from the east façade which are wood, two-over-two, double-hung sash windows. The front (north) façade has a double window on the first floor in the third bay from the east façade. The windows on the rear (south) façade are one-over-one, double-hung sash windows. The windows on the first floor are metal and the windows on the second floor are more modern. The rear (south) façade has a double window on the first floor in the second bay from the west façade and a six-pane, single, wood sash window in the foundation of the west section of the house. On the west façade, there are only two windows: one is on the second floor near the rear (south) façade and the other is a small gable-peak window. Both windows are one-over-one, double-hung sash windows. The gable-peak window is metal and the second floor window is modern. On the east façade, there are only two windows: one is on the first floor near the rear (south) façade and the other is a small gable-peak window. Both windows are one-over-one, double-hung sash windows. The gable-peak window is metal and the first floor window is modern. All windows on the first floor have a plain architrave trim with a flat top piece similar to the doorways on the first floor. All the windows on the second floor have a narrow rounded trim.

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The integrated, two-story front porch on the east section of the house is supported by three square posts on the first floor and second floor. The first floor has concrete flooring. The second floor has a wood floor and a balustrade between the three posts. The one-story front porch on the west section of the house has a concrete floor and a shed roof covered with asphalt shingles that is supported by four square posts.

There is a one-story, two-bay wide and one-bay deep lean too on the rear (south) façade of the house. The lean too is covered with German siding and has shed roof covered with corrugated metal. The lean too sits on a concrete foundation that is above ground level. On the east façade, there is a ground level doorway. On the south façade, there are three windows. There is a two-pane, single, wood sash window in the concrete foundation, a one-over-one, double-hung, wood sash double window towards the west façade, and a small, one-over-one, double-hung, wood sash window towards the east façade. On the west façade, there are two windows. There is a two-pane, single, wood sash window in the concrete foundation and a small, one-over-one, double-hung, wood sash double window. The windows in the concrete foundation have a plain board trim and the other windows have a plain architrave trim with a flat top piece like all the first story windows of the house.

The house is in good condition. It has had very little modern alterations. The window openings on the first floor have been enlarged, the windows have been replaced, the chimneys have been removed and a lean too addition added to the rear (south) facade.

Sheds

The two large metal sheds, one with a gable roof and open end and one that has a flat roof, are located northwest of the house and are next to one another. The sheds are modern twentieth-century construction and are in good condition.

Barn

The barn is constructed of concrete blocks and has a metal gambrel roof. The barn has an addition located on the west façade. The addition is constructed of concrete block and metal with a side-gable, standing-seam metal roof. The barn is located north of the farmhouse. The barn appears to be of early twentieth-century construction and the addition is late-twentieth-century construction. The barn is in good condition.

Silos

The two silos are constructed of concrete and have metal dome roofs. They are located side by side just north the barn's addition. The silos are early twentieth-century construction and are in good condition.

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Feeding Area and Concrete Pit

The concrete pit is located southeast of the barn and northeast of the house and the feeding area is north and east of the barn. The feeding area consists of a two wire frame structures with white material covering the metal frame, three open sheds varying in size constructed of metal with wood post supporting the roof and wooden stalls and a small concrete block one-story building with a metal gable roof and an addition on the north façade with metal siding. The concrete pit has a metal fence around it. All appear to be in good condition and appear to be of modern twentieth-century construction.

Garage

The garage is constructed of concrete blocks and has a side-gable, standing-seam metal roof. The front (west) façade has two garage doors towards the north façade and two doorways towards the south façade. The garage is just a few feet to the northeast of the farmhouse. The garage was constructed during the twentieth-century but it is difficult to determine when. The garage is in good condition.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/ recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning		<input type="checkbox"/> maritime history	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other: _____

Specific dates

Architect/Builder

Construction dates farmhouse - 1755 - 1811, barn and silos - 1900-1916

Evaluation for:

☒ National Register

☐ Maryland Register

☐ not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form - see manual.)

The Barnett-Nissley Farm is believed to eligible for the National Register listing under Criteria A for its connection with the history of agriculture in Washington County in the nineteenth- and twentieth-centuries. The farmstead from the late eighteenth-century has continuous operated as a farm from producing wheat during the nineteenth-century to becoming a dairy farm in the early-twentieth century. It is also believed to be eligible under Criteria C for its intact late eighteenth- and early-nineteenth- century vernacular log house which exhibits important regional features such as its log construction and recessed double porch.

In 1775, Peter Grout patented 204 3/4 acres as "Warnfelts Resurvey" (Liber BC & GS 52/12). Then in 1798, Peter Grout sold 193 1/8 acres of "Warnfelts Resurvey" to Jacob Barnett, a farmer (WC Liber L Folio 104). It is mentioned in this deed that there buildings occupying the land, so it is possible that a portion of the farmhouse was constructed during Peter Grout ownership.

Jacob Barnett was a German settler working as a farmer and distiller by the *Biographical Annals of Franklin County Pennsylvania*. This was typical of the population to settle in Washington County. German settlers saw the promise of rich and well-watered farmland. German settlers had a profound influence in the development of agriculture in Washington County. They introduced small family farms creating a general agriculture economy with emphasis on small grains (wheat primarily).

Jacob Barnett lived on the farm until his death in 1811. He is buried at the Salem Reformed Church near Cearfoss, MD. Jacob Barnett's son, John Barnett, gained ownership of the farm. It is not clear how and when John Barnett gained ownership since Jacob Barnett left no Will, there is no Deed, and there was no Equity Case filed. John Barnett lived on farm until his death in 1828. He is also buried at the Salem Reformed Church cemetery near Cearfoss. John Barnett left no Will, so an Equity Case was filed in November 17, 1830 (WC Liber UU Folio 79). The farm was advertised as a "Trustee's Sale" in the Hagerstown Torch Light and Public Advertiser on September 8, 1831. The advertisement reads as follows:

"The improvements are a **Log House** and **Barn**, and a fine spring affording a constant supply of water for stock and family purposes. About 120 acres of this land are cleared and in cultivation,

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the balance is timber. It lies about one mile from Zeller's Mill."

This advertisement indicates that during the Barnett family's ownership the log farmhouse was constructed or the section that was constructed during Grout's ownership was added onto creating the current appearance of the farmhouse. The advertisement also indicates how the farm was being operated with the mention of the Zeller's Mill so close to the farm. Mills were important part of the agriculture of Washington County.

It is unclear if anyone purchased the farm at the September 1831 Trustee's Sale; but in 1839, a deed (WC Liber UU Folio 79) was filed by John Mowen, of Washington County, for the purchase of "Warnselts Discovery" from William Price, John Barnett's Trustee. John Morrow purchased "Warnselts Discovery" consisting of 193 1/8 acres. There is no patent for "Warnfelts Discovery" and the metes-and-bounds in the 1839 deed match the 1798 deed, so it appears that the patented name of the land was accidentally missed printed. All deeds from 1839 to the present deed refer to the land as "Warnfeltz(s) Discovery." John Morrow occupied the farm until 1853 when he sold "Warnfelts Discovery" consisted of 146 acres to Jacob and Andrew Witmer, of Washington County (WC Liber IN Folio 52). The deed states that part of the 146 acres is a small piece of land that John Morrow purchased from John Murry and wife in April 1848. It appears John Mowen sold portion of land during his ownership.

The Witmer's did not own "Warnfelts Discovery" for very long. It doesn't appear that Jacob and Andrew Witmer lived on the farm. In 1854, Jacob Witmer and Nancy Witmer, his wife, sold there interest in "Warnfelts Discovery" to Andrew Plum, of Washington County (WC Liber IN 9 Folio 100). Then in 1856, Andrew Plum purchased Andrew Witmer and Sarah Witmer, his wife, interest in "Warnfelts Discovery" (WC Liber IN 11 Folio 52). It appears that Andrew Plum was living on the farm from 1854, and in 1856 purchased all the interest in the 146 acres of "Warnfelts Discovery." The 1859 map of Washington County shows A. Plum owning the property and the 1860 Census has an Andrew Plum living in the Conococheague District.

In 1864, Daniel Cearfoss, of Washington County, purchased the 146 acres of "Warnfelts Discovery" from Andrew Plum and Martha Plum, his wife (WC Liber IN 18 Folio 265). Daniel Cearfoss was a very prominent man in the area of Cearfoss. He owned numerous properties in the area specifically around the Cearfoss Crossroads (indicated on the 1859 map of Washington County by the name Cunningham Roads) this is visible on the Conococheague district map in the 1877 Atlas of Washington County. Daniel Cearfoss did not live on the farm. The 1860 and 1870 census show him living in a dwelling along Cearfoss Crossroads. It appears the farm was a tenant farm during Cearfoss's ownership. This is indicated by an entry in Daniel Cearfoss's personal property that stated Daniel Cearfoss had bundles of wheat at the A. Plum farm.

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Daniel Cearfoss died in 1878 leaving no Will and a large number of debts so the Equity Case No. 3022 was filed in 1879. There was an advertisement in The Herald and Torch Light on October 22, 1879. There advertisement contains 11 properties. "Warnfelts Discovery" was the first property listed and the advertisement reads as follows:

"No 1—A Farm containing 156 Acres and 150 Perches of Land, lying about one mile from Cearfoss Cross Roads along the public road leading from Cearfoss Cross Roads to Fairview. This farm is improved by a 2-story Dwelling house, Barn, and out-building's, and has an excellent Orchard of choice Fruit."

Daniel Cearfoss purchased 10 acres and 156 perches of "Mount Airy" (which was patented by Jacob Zeller in 1811) in 1863 from David (Z)Geller (WC Liber IN 17 Folio 387). This purchased was added to the farm metes-and-bounds when it was advertised. George Miller purchased "Warnfelts Discovery" (146 acres) and "Mount Airy" (10 acres and 156 perches) at the Trustee's Sale (WC Liber GBO Folio 79). George Miller did not own the farm for long. In 1882, George Miller and Caroline Miller, his wife, sold "Warnfelts Discover" (146 acres) and "Mount Airy" (10 acres and 156 perches) to Albert L. Miller, of Allegany County, MD (WC Liber GBO Folio 41).

Albert L. Miller only owned the farm for four years. Albert L. Miller died in 1886 in Washington County. It is difficult to say if Albert L. Miller lived on the farm. Mr. Miller was living in Allegany County, MD when he purchased the farm but his Will was filed in Washington County, MD. In his Will, Albert L. Miller leaves everything to his wife, Margaret Miller. In a deed dated 1886, Margaret Miller, of the City of Cumberland Allegany County, MD, sells "Warnfelts Discovery" (146 acres) and "Mount Airy" (10 acres and 156 perches) to Joseph Utz, of Washington County (WC Liber GBO Folio 589).

In 1891, Joseph Utz and Isabella Utz, his wife, sold "Warnfelts Discovery" (146 acres) and "Mount Airy" (10 acres and 156 perches) to David H. Nissley, of Dauphin County, Pennsylvania, for \$4500 (WC Liber GBO Folio 676). The David and Mary Nissley moved to Washington County and lived on the farm until 1916 when they sold "Warnfelts Discovery" (146 acres) and "Mount Airy" (10 acres and 156 perches) to George and Katie Dieterich for \$9000 (WC Liber EO Folio 537). The Nissleys mortgaged \$7000 of the \$9000 for the Dieterichs (WC Liber EO Folio 537). With such an increase in property value it is evident that farm was greatly approved. In 1929, the Dieterichs have to foreclose on their mortgage to the Nissleys, so the Equity Case No. 11271 was filed and the farm was advertised for Assignee's Sale. The advertisement for the Public Sale was in the Hagerstown Daily Mail on December 16, 1929. The advertisement reads as the following:

"The first tract being called "Warnfeltz Discovery" and contains 146 acres of ground.

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The second tract being part of the tract of land called "Mount Airy" and contains 10 acres and 156 perches of and.....The improvements thereon consist of large barn, hog pens, chicken house, silo, etc. all practically new and in excellent condition together with dwelling house, woodshed, usual outbuildings, etc."

This Assignee's Sale shows that the improvements conducted during the Nissleys ownership was the present barn and at least one of the present silos. These improvements that the Nissley's made were possible converting the farm from wheat to dairy. During the mid nineteenth-century, with the national drive to expand west, the mid-west became a large producer of grain then western Maryland. So, western Maryland farms became primarily dairy farms.

Arcade Reality and Mortgage Company Inc. was the highest bidder for the Barnett-Nissley Farm (WC Liber 184 Folio 673). Arcade Reality and Mortgage Company Inc. sold the farm in February 1930 to George and Beulah Horn (WC Liber 185 Folio 187). In 1931, due to a foreclosure of the Horn's mortgage with Arcade Reality and Mortgage Company, the farm was sold to Martin V.B. Bostetter (WC Liber 201 Folio 256). Within five years of purchasing the farm, Martin Bostettler sold the farm back to the Arcade Reality and Mortgage Company Inc (WC Liber 201 Folio 256). Then in 1938, Arcade Reality and Mortgage Company Inc sold the farm to Amos S. Hedge (WC Liber 206 Folio 260).

Amos S. Hedge sold the farm to David and Ellen Eby in 1946 (WC Liber 235 Folio 28). During the David and Ellen Eby's ownership, the Eby's purchased 3.52 acres from Raymond and Bettie Stockslager and sold several acres of farm. With these exchanges of land, the farms metes-and-bounds changed. This is documented in the 1972 deed where Harold and Ruth Eby purchase the farm from David and Ellen Eby (WC Liber 544 Folio 470). The farm consists of Parcel 1 with 2.67 acres from the purchase from Raymond and Bettie Stockslager and Parcel 2 with 153.4 which consists of the "Warnfeltz Discovery" (146 acres) and "Mount Airy" (10 acres and 156 perches).

In 1992, Harold and Ruth Eby sold the farm to Wayne and Ruth Horst, the current owners.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property 147.51
Acreage of historical setting 156.07
Quadrangle name Hagerstown

Quadrangle scale: 1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

The Barnett-Nissley Farm is located on the south side of Farview Road (MD 494) about a mile west of Cearfoss in Washington County, MD. The farm is bordered on south by the Conococheague Creek and to the north by Fairview Road (this is only where the private land meets the public road) and tax parcels 490, 491, 454, and 387. The farm is bordered on the east and west by tree lines and several private homes.

During the ownerships of David and Ellen Eby and Harold and Ruth Eby, the land was purchased, sold and subdivided creating new metes-and-bounds from the historic metes-and-bounds. This is the most noticeable along the Fairview Road. Historically the metes-and-bounds had the farm bounded by the Fairview Road to the north. Today, the only portion of the farm that is bound by the Fairview Road is where the private lane to the farm meets Fairview Road.

11. Form Prepared by

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city or town	Baltimore	state	MD

The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

return to: Maryland Historical Trust
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Crownsville, MD 21032-2023
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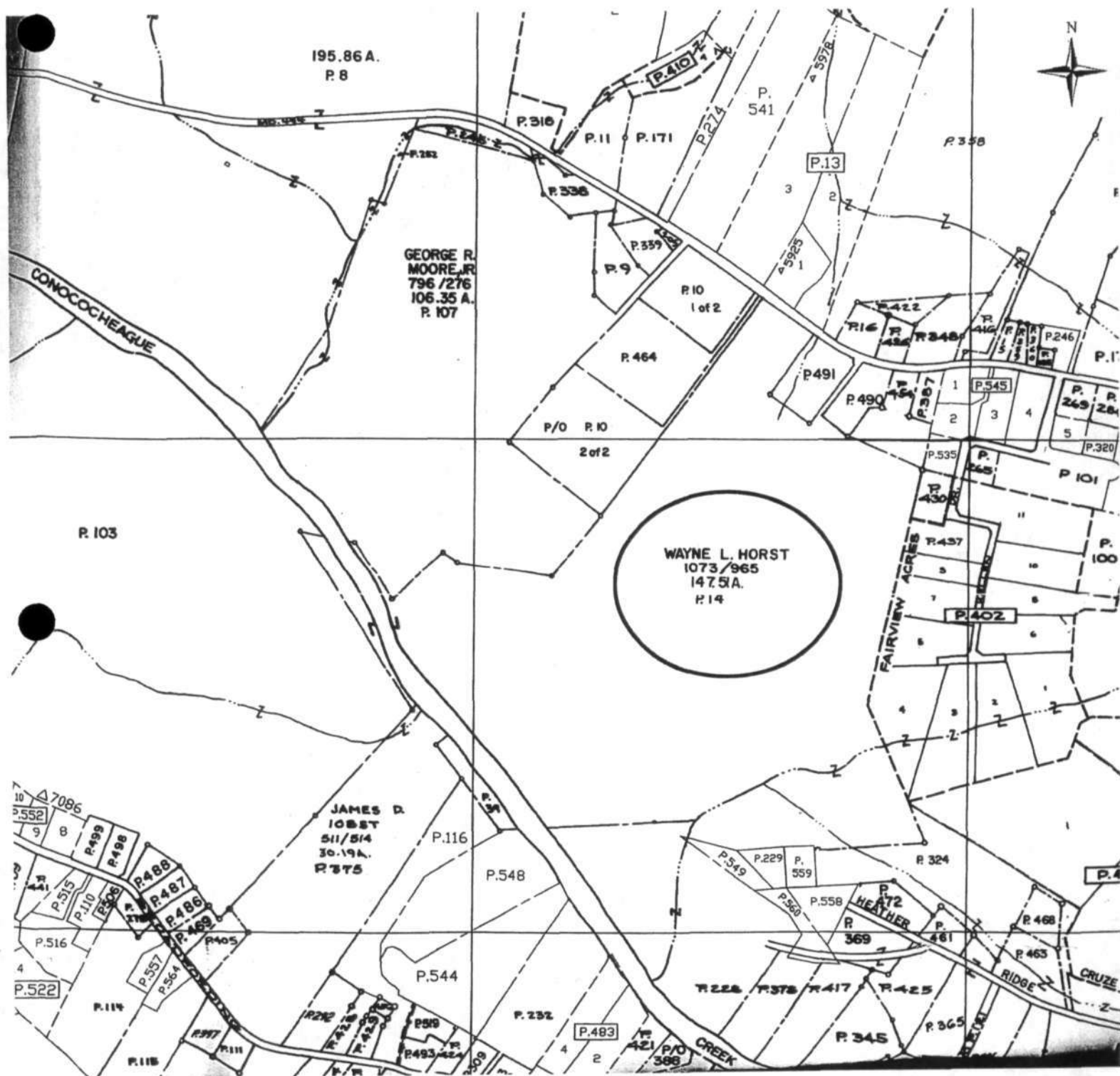
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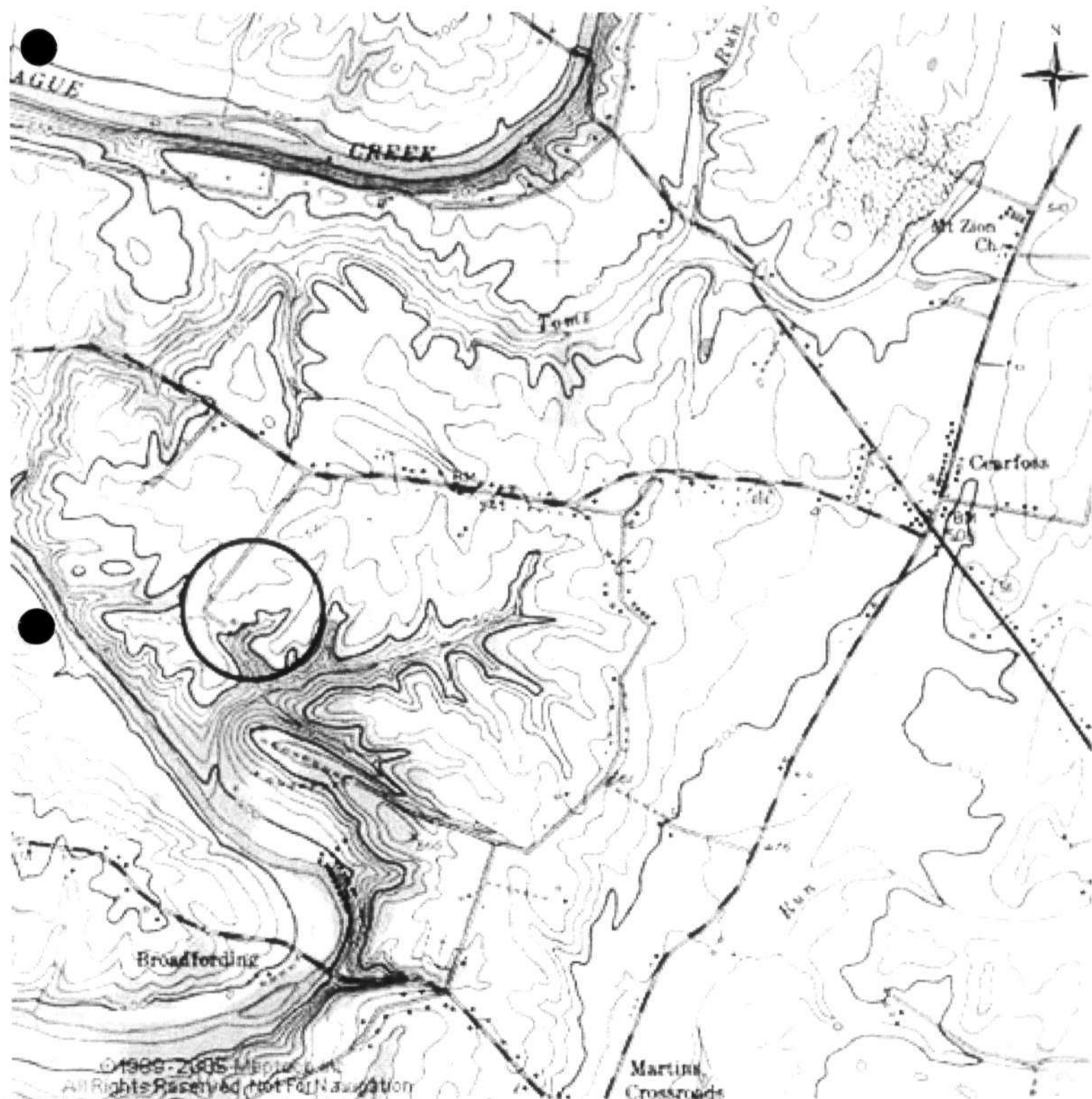
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Washington County Inventories of Personal Property and Will Books. Washington County Register of Wills Office, Washington County Courthouse, Hagerstown, MD



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 Barnett-Nissley Farm
 Hagerstown, Washington County
 Hagerstown Quad

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View southeast, Main house,
front and west facade

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View southeast, Main house,
front facade

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View southeast, main House,
front facade of east section

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Barnett - Nissley Farm

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View south from tank, front
facade of west section

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View southeast, main house, front
and west facades

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View East, main house, west facade

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View northeast - main house,
West and rear facades

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Barnett - Nissley Farms

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View northeast, near house,
near fence

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View northeast, main house,
near facade of east section

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View north, main house,
near locomotive section

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View southwest, main house, east
and front facades

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View southwest, main house,
east and front facades

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View southeast, main house +
garage, front facade

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View east, Garage, front + facade

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View north-east, Garage front facade,
concrete pit and feeding area
South elevation

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View north, barn, south facade,
Feeding area and concrete pit, south
and west elevation

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Barnett - Nisler Farm

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View northwest, Barn. South facade,
silos, south end - elevations

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Barnett - Nisley Farm

Warrington County, MD

Christine Toms

May 2008

MD SHPO

View northwest, Barn, south facade,
silos, south and east elevations
sheds, east and south elevations

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WA-I-115

Barnett-Nissley Farm

Washington County, MD

Christine Turner

May 2008

MD SHPO

View northwest, sheds, east and
south elevations

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Barnett - Missley Farm

Washington County, MD

Christine Toms

May 2008

MD SHPO

Views northwest, sides, south and
west elevations, feeding area,
west and south elevations

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Barnett - Nibley Farm

Washington County, MD

Christine Toms

May 2008

MD SH PO

View northeast, silo, north elevation,
Feeding area, west and south elevations

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Barnett - Nissley Farm

Washington County, MD

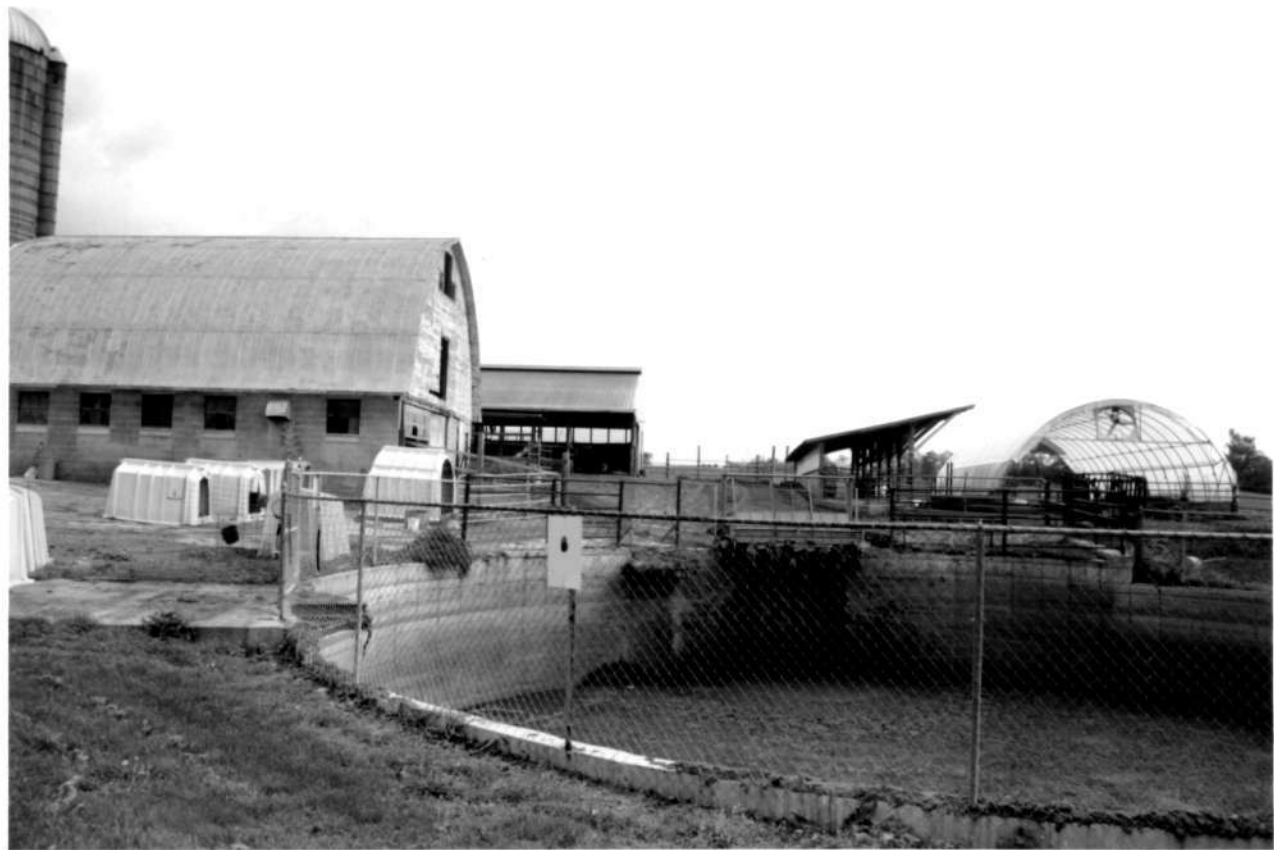
Christine Toms

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View east, Silo, north elevation,
feeding area, east elevation

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Barnett - Nissley Farm

Washington County, MD

Christine Toms

May 2008

MD SHPO

Views north Barn, south and east facade,
Feeding area, south elevation

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Barnett - Nisley Farm

Washington County, MD

Christine Tom

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MD SHPO

View south, pastures south and
west of Main House

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Barnett - Nisley Farm

Washington County, MD.

Christine Toms

May 2008

MD SHPO

Views northeast, Barn, west facade,
Silo, east elevation, feeding area,
south elevation

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ABSTRACT

WA-I-115

Eby Farm

Cearfoss Vicinity

private

19th Century

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Eby Farm**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

Fairview Road or Fairview Church Road (MD 494)

CITY, TOWN

Fairview☒ VICINITY OF **Cearfoss**

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Washington**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY

OWNERSHIP

STATUS

PRESENT USE

☐ DISTRICT☐ PUBLIC☒ OCCUPIED☒ AGRICULTURE☐ MUSEUM☒ BUILDING(S)☒ PRIVATE☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ COMMERCIAL☐ PARK☐ STRUCTURE☐ BOTH☐ WORK IN PROGRESS☐ EDUCATIONAL☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ SITE☐ PUBLIC ACQUISITION☐ ACCESSIBLE☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ RELIGIOUS☐ OBJECT☐ IN PROCESS☐ YES: RESTRICTED☐ GOVERNMENT☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ BEING CONSIDERED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ TRANSPORTATION☒ NO☐ MILITARY☐ OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Harold E. Eby

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Route # 4, Box 218

CITY, TOWN

Hagerstown

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21740**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Washington County Court HouseLiber #: **544**Folio #: **470**

STREET & NUMBER

West Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Hagerstown

STATE

Maryland 21740**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION**CONDITION**☒ EXCELLENT☐ DETERIORATED☐ GOOD☐ RUINS☐ FAIR☐ UNEXPOSED**CHECK ONE**☐ UNALTERED☒ ALTERED \leq 50%**CHECK ONE**☒ ORIGINAL SITE☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This farm complex is located at the end of a long private lane which extends in a southerly direction from Maryland route 494, the Fairview Road, about two miles west of Cearfoss in Washington County, Maryland. The house is situated on a bluff above a tributary of the Conococheague Creek and faces north.

The dwelling is a two story, six bay, two part log house sheathed with German siding and resting on stone foundations. The eastern three bays of the front elevation are recessed behind a double porch which is included under the main roof span.

Windows and doors are not arranged symmetrically in the walls. The windows at the first story appear to have been enlarged, probably around the turn of the century. These have single pane, double hung sashes around which are plain architraves with flat top pieces. Second story windows are small with narrow frames holding two over two pane double hung sashes. In the front elevation, doors are located in the second bay from the east end of the house and the third bay from the west end. Both entrances are trimmed similarly to the windows. A six panel door is also present between two windows at the second story level. In addition to the double porch, a one story shed roofed porch extends along the front elevation of the west section of the house. All porches at the front elevation are supported by square posts.

The roof of the house is sheathed with modern asphalt shingles and terminates with barge boards set directly against the end walls. Plain boxing finishes the eaves. A modern concrete block flue is located outside the west gable end.

The house appears to be in good to excellent condition and stands on a tract containing 156.07 acres. Barns and outbuildings are located north of the house.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 156.07 acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE _____ COUNTY _____

STATE _____ COUNTY _____

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Paula Stoner Dickey, Consultant

ORGANIZATION

Washington County Historical Sites Survey

DATE

July 1977

STREET & NUMBER

County Office Building, 33 West Washington Street

TELEPHONE

791-3065

CITY OR TOWN

Hagerstown

STATE

Maryland 21740

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Annapolis, Maryland 21401
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FRANKLIN COUNTY
WASHINGTON COUNTY

STATELINE RD 163

1000 FT

39°42'30"

680,000 FT

RD 670,000 FT

Joins Map 8

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Quadrangle



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